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In re application of:

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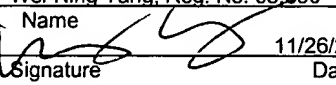
Serial No: 09/929,293

Filed: August 14, 2001

For: SALIVA-BASED METHODS FOR PREVENTING AND
ASSESSING THE RISK OF DISEASES

Art Unit: 1641

Examiner: Lisa V. Cook

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Small entity status has been claimed. See 37 CFR § 1.27.
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 26, 2003, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.

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